Before:

In the beginning of the book, when piggy and ralph first meet on the island Piggy immediately tries to be logical and tries to think of a solution. he also cares very much about his health, “My auntie told me not to run...on account of my asthma” is an indirect characterization and he also says, “I can’t swim. I wasn’t allowed My auntie...” this quote shows he likes rules and an organized. He listens to his elders because he knows they know more than him. Another thing about him in the beginning of the book, when ralph gets ready to jump in the pool, Piggy “took off his shoes and socks [and] arranged them carefully on the ledge” this is on page(13) the quote shows how Piggy likes things organized. hint hint, an organized society.

After:

Near the end of the book when Jack left the rest of the kids to form his own tribe. All the other kids in the book changed. Piggy whatsoever did not change much he stayed the same and mentally. He still liked the concept of rules, I.e the conch which represents rules and an organized society. Also, Jack and his cronies come to steal his glasses for a fire. When Ralph and Piggy try to go get Piggy’s glasses. Sadly though, when Ralph and Piggy try to retrieve the glasses and compromise with Jack. Piggy got killed by Jack and his tribe when they pushed a huge boulder right onto Piggy. Also, Piggy loved the conch so much that he cradled it carefully like a baby wherever he went and he had the conch when he got run over by the boulder When Piggy died, the “conch exploded into a thousand white fragments and ceased to exist” (181) was basically the death of maturity, civilization, and intellect because he (Piggy) was the most intelligent of them all. He was also the most physically vulnerable which meant he always got picked on. Usually by Jack.

Symbol:

The symbol I chose that is very closely related with Piggy is the conch. I think that the conch very closely relates to Piggy because Piggy likes to have rules and an organized society. The conch represents maturity, civilization, and intellect so since the conch represents rules and an organized society, it was a perfect match with Piggy. On page 33, “Piggy was standing, cradling the great cream shell”. To cradle something means to hold something carefully. Some of the things that you might cradle are things like a baby, or your phone. Someone only cradles something that is fragile. The conch is very fragile. It represents rules and an organized society. Piggy is cradling the conch because he likes it and he thinks that it is the most important item on the island. Piggy never loses doubt in the conch he believed that if they have the conch then that’s all they need.

Piggys’ changes at the end of the story

Piggy at the beginning of the story

Piggy’s changes a lot throughout the book